



May 21, 2019 - *News for You*



TOWN OF FREEPORT

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Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Regular Town Council Meeting

Public Hearing on the FY2020 Operating, Capital and
TIF Budgets
Tuesday, June 4th, 2019
Town Council Chambers
6:30 p.m.

A full listing of upcoming Town meetings and agendas is
available on the Town's website at: www.freeportmaine.com



Close to the Coast Race & Family Fun Day at Winslow Park Saturday, June 15th

You don't want to miss this year's Family Fun Day &
Close to the Coast Race on Saturday, June 15th. The Race
starts at 9:00 a.m. For children, there is a 1K Kids Fun Run
which will begin at 10:00 am.

All children participating in the race
receive a prize provided by Wilbur's of
Maine (No registration required for the
fun run.). Race and awards are followed by a *Free* after
race BBQ with live music.



And don't forget the first
Winslow Park Free Camping Week for Freeport Residents
from June 15-23, 2019

For more information contact the Gatehouse at 865-4198.

Freeport Sustainability Series

Greening Freeport:

Growing Our Town's Canopy of Trees

Mon. June 10th, 6:30-7:30PM, Freeport Community Center

Trees are one of Freeport's greatest assets. Trees provide
improved air quality, storm water runoff interception and
energy conservation while encouraging lower traffic
speeds, increasing property values, mental health &
creating a desirable place to live. As Freeport embarks on
an initiative to inventory its tree canopy, come listen to
Randall Arendt's innovative ideas on how to maintain and
increase street trees and parking lot plantings, both
downtown and along the outer Main Street commercial
corridors. Randall is a landscape planner, site designer,
author and lecturer.

Complimentary local food and beverages will be provided.

Town Manager's Report May 21, 2019

The Town of Freeport is looking to steward its
tree canopy this summer, and you can help!
Throughout the months of June and July, the
Maine Forest Service's Project Canopy staff and
teams of volunteers will be conducting an
inventory of Freeport's public trees. If you are
interested in helping, please meet at the Town
Hall on either Thursday, May 30 from 6-8
pm or Saturday, June 1 from 10am – 12pm for this
Citizen Forester training. Attendees will learn the
value of urban trees, tree identification, how to
measure trees and how to use the USDA Forest
Service's state-of-the-art iTree software. For more
information please email kim.ballard@maine.gov.

MDOT is holding a preliminary bridge project
meeting at the Freeport Town Hall Council
Chambers on Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at 6:00
p.m. to discuss these two upcoming bridge
projects:

- Freeport: Routes 125 & 136 over I-295,
Bridge #5721
- Freeport: Desert Road over I-295, Bridge
#5720

The public is encouraged to attend to learn more
about these upcoming projects.

Spring/Summer Fire Safety Tips: As spring is upon us
and summer shouldn't (let's hope) be too far behind,
Freeport Fire Rescue offers the following Fire Safety Tips:

Outdoor Cooking and Recreational Fires

These fires include the non-commercial burning of
materials, other than rubbish for the purposes of preparing
food or for pleasure, religious, ceremonial or similar
purposes. The total fuel area may not exceed three (3) feet
in diameter and two (2) feet in height. Paper or cardboard

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may be burned **as kindling only** in amounts necessary to ensure ignition of fires.

These fires do not require a permit but having one may keep us from responding to a report of "a fire in the area." Good sense needs to rule the day with wind speed and direction, environmental conditions (wet/dry), distance to combustibles, etc. needing to be factored in to a burn/no burn decision. These fires, like any outdoor burning, may be terminated for non-compliance with regulations or due to legitimate nuisance complaints.

Burning Permits must be obtained in order to have an open burn in your yard of leaves, brush, or scrap wood. You **MAY NOT** burn trash, or other illegal material. Burn Permits may be obtained for **FREE** on the day of the burn at the Public Safety Building 7 days a week from 8am to 4pm or online for a fee of \$7.

Remember: FIRE and IMPAIRMENT present a dangerous combination. Stay a safe distance from any fires and PLEASE keep the safety of children utmost in your mind.

Spring Clean-Up

The Annual Spring Clean-Up will take place the first two weeks of June only.

Operating hours during this time period will be Wed - Fri (8:00A - 4:00P) and Saturday (9:00A - 4:00P). During these two weeks residents can bring their one free pick-up truck size load of waste to the Recycling Center (conditions apply). Residents will need to bring the completed coupon included in a town wide flyer which should hit mailboxes the middle of May and have a 2019 facility sticker (\$6). Stickers can be purchased at the Recycling Center in advance or on the day of disposal and can also be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office with proof of residency.



If you would like to volunteer at the Swap Shop during the Clean-up, we could use your help! Contact Suzanne Duplissis at 865-3740.

Freeport Community Library



Free Henna Tattoos
Wed., May 29th
2:30PM - 5:00PM

Stop by the library and get your own Henna Tattoo! Our fabulous henna tattoo artist, Mary Roberge, has lots of designs to choose from and will have your beautiful tattoo done in a matter of minutes. No need to sign up, just drop in. Adult supervision is required for children under 11. Please note henna is not permanent but may last 1-3 weeks.

For details on this event and many more, go to:
www.freeportlibrary.com

Memorial Day Monday, May 27th



The parade will take place on Monday, May 27th. The Parade begins at the corner of Main and Holbrook Streets at 9:30 AM. The ceremony at the Town park on Bow Street will begin at approximately 10:00 AM.

Fourth of July Parade This year's Parade is being organized by Nancy Trottier and Michelle Barker. If you would like to participate in this year's parade you will need to register. Information on the parade and how to register can be found at
<http://www.fcsmaine.org/freeport-4th-july-parade/>

RSU5 Budget Meeting

Wednesday, May 22nd
6:30 p.m., Freeport High School

This is an important meeting for residents to attend as it is the meeting to set budget amounts for the

June 11th RSU5 Budget Validation.

Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets Public Hearing

Tuesday, June 4, 2019
6:30 PM
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Shellfish License Lottery

For 1-resident commercial license and 2-resident student commercial licenses. Applications must be received by the Town Clerk between 6/1 and 6/15. Lottery will be held on 6/17/19.